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MAYOR

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MAYOR'S REPORT:

PARTNERSHIPS ARE VALUABLE!

The City of Beaverton enjoys solid and productive working relationships with other governments in Washington County. As citizens and taxpayers, we all benefit from our collective efforts. As your Mayor, I have emphasized efficiency, responsiveness, and effective problem solving in providing City government services.

The City formally opened the new Beaverton Resource Center in September. We are very proud of the newly remodeled building, which served us well as the former Beaverton City Library at the corners of Hall & Allen Boulevard. The Beaverton Resource Center will now house the Beaverton School District's English as a Second Language (ESL) Program, the Beaverton Police Activities League (PAL) Club for youth, Asian Family Services and meeting rooms for citizen groups. A very positive synergy is taking place between these multiple users which will benefit the youth and customers of these service providers. I'm proud of the partnerships formed to create this needed Beaverton Resource Center.

Our regional government Metro, in coordination with local Portland area jurisdictions, is requiring the adoption of additional wetland and natural habitat protection measures under the guidelines of the State of Oregon's Goal 5 program (see page 6). Because most of Washington County water drains into the Tualatin River basin watershed, the local jurisdictions in the county

are working in cooperation to craft a joint plan in response to Metro's new mandate. The cities (including Beaverton), Washington County government, Clean Water Services (formerly Unified Sewerage Agency) and the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District have formed a Tualatin Basin Natural Resources Coordinating Committee to draft the joint response to further protect and enhance wetlands and natural habitat. The Tualatin Basin Committee will be working together until next spring creating the response to Metro's requirements. I expect this joint effort to produce a high quality and environmentally beneficial document. I'm confident it will receive the same high praise a similar joint effort, in response to Metro's Title 3 clean water requirements, did two years ago. The strength and efficiency in producing a

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MAYOR'S HOTLINE



Your interests and concerns are important to us. A phone line is available 24 hours a day for citizen calls: (503)526-3700. Messages will be checked daily, and if you leave your name and number, we will respond to you as quickly as possible.

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countywide response and policy document is sound and progressive public policy.

With the holiday season upon us, please join us to celebrate at City Hall on December 11th for the annual Holiday Open House from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. (*see ad on page 15*). This fun and lively event is an opportunity to meet your Beaverton City Councilors and me,

in addition to meeting and speaking with Department Heads and staff. The entire family is welcome! We'll be serving finger food, holiday beverages and plenty of good cheer! As always, a special jolly man with a white beard and red suit will be available to greet the children who attend!

-Rob Drake, Mayor



*MAYOR ROB DRAKE,
AND CITY COUNCILORS
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*WISH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY
A HAPPY, HEALTHY AND SAFE
HOLIDAY SEASON!*

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THE CITY'S MISSION:
"Preserve and enhance Beaverton as a responsive, dynamic, attractive and safe community."

Rob Drake, *Mayor*
Cathy Stanton, *Council President*
Evelyn Brzezinski, *Councilor*
Dennis Doyle, *Councilor*
Fred Ruby, *Councilor*
Forrest Soth, *Councilor*

Neighborhood Meeting Locations (dates and times on back page):

Beaverton Community Center
12350 SW 5th

Church of Latter Day Saints
8640 SW Turquoise Loop

City Hall
4755 SW Griffith Drive

Edgewood Downs Retirement Center
7799 SW Scholls Ferry Road

Elmonica School
16950 SW Lisa

Five Oaks School
1600 NW 173 Avenue

Highland Park Middle School
7000 SW Wilson

Library Meeting Room - Library Bldg.
12375 SW 5th

Seventh Day Adventist Church
14645 SW Davis Road

Southridge High School
9625 SW 125 Avenue

Valley Presbyterian Church
8060 SW Brentwood

PREPARING FOR THE UNKNOWN

Although there is more to be done in preparing for terrorism, there is much your local emergency responders have already done, and are doing, to prepare. In response to recent world and national events, local police and fire agencies, governments, health officials and emergency managers have increased coordination and communication. The purpose of this effort is twofold: to ensure an effective county wide response should a major public safety incident occur locally, and to provide residents with timely, consistent information on issues of public concern.

For decades, Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue (TVF&R) has been utilizing skills and equipment that could come into play following a terrorism act. Many terrorist acts (bombings, chemical leaks, collapsed buildings) would likely include some aspect of mass casualty, hazardous materials, or search and rescue – skills that

our firefighters and paramedics utilize and/or practice routinely.

In addition, TVF&R has had a Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Team in place since 1989. Team members are on duty 24 hours a day, and routinely train to enhance their skills. Should a biological or chemical incident occur, TVF&R's Hazardous Materials Team would play an important role for this region.

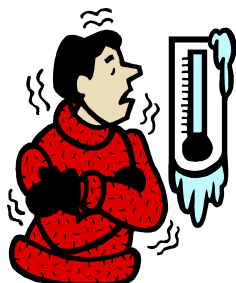
Over the past several weeks, local 9-1-1 dispatchers, firefighters and police have responded to hundreds of "white powder" calls. To date, these situations have been nothing more than false alarms. The community should be cautious, yet rational. Remain alert, but not overcome by fear. Remember...out of 285 million people, only 4 individuals have died from inhalation anthrax - all of whom lived and worked on the East Coast.

Before calling 911, individuals should

ask themselves:

- Is the presence of powder accompanied by a credible or specific threat of any kind?
- Is the powder in a location where it can do harm (indoors vs. outdoors)?
- Is the powder out of context with its surroundings (are you a likely target for terrorists)?
- Are people experiencing any signs or symptoms as a result of being exposed to a material?

Ensure your family's safety and comfort for any disaster by implementing a 72-hour kit with emergency supplies. Also, develop a Power Outage Plan and a Communication Plan in case your family is separated during a disaster. For more information on preparedness issues visit TVF&R Web site at www.tvfr.com or call the Emergency Manager at (503) 649-8577.



WINTER SAFETY TIPS

Winter storms can bring disaster, such as hypothermia, traffic accidents,

or even heart attacks while shoveling snow. Beaverton typically enjoys mild winters, but this area is susceptible to severe winter storms. The best way to minimize the potential impact of winter weather is to be prepared in advance.

- Have extra blankets on hand and ensure each member of your household has a warm coat, gloves/mittens, hat, and water-resistant boots.
- Check battery-powered equipment and make sure you have plenty of spare batteries.
- If you have propane or oil heat, check your fuel supply.

- Check your food supply and stock up on basic items.
- Have your car winterized before the winter season starts and always keep the fuel tank full.

Winter Dress

Dressing properly can reduce the possibility of getting frostbite, hypothermia or other cold weather injuries. Wear a hat, gloves warm socks, and layers of loose fitting clothing.

Food and Drink

Food provides the body with heat producing energy. Keep your body replenished with fluids and avoid caffeine and alcohol.

For more information visit the Emergency Management Web site at www.ocem.org.



VEHICLE PREPAREDNESS

Avoid driving in severe storms.

If you are caught somewhere in your vehicle in a storm, stay in the vehicle and await rescue. Do not attempt to walk from the vehicle unless you can see a definite safe haven that is close. A visible light in the distance does not necessarily indicate a safe haven.

Turn the engine on for brief periods to provide heat and recharge the battery. Periodically make sure the exhaust pipe is clear of snow and leave a downwind window open slightly when running the engine to avoid a buildup of carbon monoxide.

Generate body heat by not remaining in one position for long; clap your hands, stomp your feet, or just move around a bit. Avoid exposure or overexertion from trying to dig or push your car out.

CITIZEN PARTNERSHIPS WITH POLICE ARE CRITICAL

September 11, 2001 will forever be remembered for the loss of life from terrorist acts committed against our great nation. These acts have left us grieving for the victims and their families, and longing for times past when we took our security for granted.

Since September 11, the Beaverton Police Department has remained in a state of high alert, working with federal, state and local law enforcement

agencies toward the common goal of protecting citizens. Protocol exists to help us serve the community should additional acts of terrorism occur. Precautionary measures have also been taken by heightening the department's presence and security in key places throughout the city. The department has, and will continue to, diligently work with Beaverton schools, businesses, and churches, to ensure the

safety of citizens and to offer needed support.

As always, your police department stands ready to safeguard you and to maintain peace and order. We will continue to remain highly visible within the community, and ask that you contact the department's Public Information Officer at (503) 526-2275 with any questions or suggestions you might have during this difficult period.

HOLIDAY SHOPPING SAFETY TIPS

Remember to practice these safe shopping habits.

- *Don't leave valuables or gifts in plain view in your parked vehicle.*
- *Park in well-lit areas.*
- *Be especially vigilant when walking in congested and crowded parking lots.*
- *Maintain personal control over your purse or wallet at all times.*
- *Limit the amount of cash you carry.*

SAFE, HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE BEAVERTON POLICE

Please take a moment to read this message *and work with us* to ensure that everyone gets home safely at night.

Everyone knows that the holiday shopping season means increased traffic volumes in the Beaverton area. In an effort to reduce the occurrence of accidents during this period, the Beaverton Police Department will be conducting enhanced traffic enforcement patrols, focusing on negative driving behaviors that are known to increase the risk of injury

accidents. These behaviors include:

- *Speeding*
- *Following too close*
- *Unsignalled/unsafe lane changes*
- *Improper passing (in highway/roadway medians)*
- *Dangerous left turns (across traffic)*
- *Failure to obey traffic control devices*
- *Failure to wear seat belts/Improper use of Child Safety Restraints.*

We are all extremely busy during this season; please make every attempt to allow extra time for your errands this year, and stay focused on safe driving habits! The gifts of healthy family and friends far outweigh the importance of those material things we are in a hurry to purchase.

Working together, we can increase the odds that all of us will be healthy when the holidays are here. Your Beaverton Police Department wishes everyone a *SAFE* and *HAPPY* holiday season!!!

WEB SITE ACCESSIBILITY

The City of Beaverton is interested in meeting the needs of all its citizens and we are taking steps to make the content on our Web site accessible to a wide audience, including citizens with disabilities. It is important to us that all of our citizens have access to information and services on our Web site.

The City's Web site includes several features designed to improve accessibility for users with disabilities. Some of these features are as follows:

1. Images on the site contain "alt" tags, which describe the content of the images on a site for people who use screen readers (software that audibly reads Web pages).
2. Text transcripts accompany audio/video clips of several events happening in and around the City.
3. The text-only version of the Home Page (<http://www.ci.beaverton.or.us/defaulttext.asp>) can be configured for

larger fonts and allows faster load of content for users with slower Internet access. This page has been specially designed to be screen reader friendly.

4. There are many PDF files on the Web site. Users can find important information about the accessibility of Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF) files from Adobe's Access Web site (<http://access.adobe.com/>).

5. Charts and graphs are accompanied by a "D link". This link brings up a page with a text description of the content of the associated chart or graph.

6. Where image maps exist, alternative ways have been provided for getting the same information (for example a drop down list).

7. Some documents and forms are posted in several formats: pdf and Word or pdf and HTML so the document can be viewed by as many people as possible.

If you have difficulty accessing any material on our site because of a disability, please contact us in writing (City Hall Mailing Address: PO Box 4755; Beaverton, OR 97076-4755), via telephone (503-526-2222) or email (citymail@ci.beaverton.or.us) and we will work with you to ensure that you can take full advantage of the information available.

To improve the accessibility of the www.ci.beaverton.or.us Web site, the City of Beaverton is asking users with disabilities to review the site and provide feedback. We are also reviewing the site with 3rd party Web accessibility tools and we continue to review the Web site for ideas to improve everyone's ability to access the content. The City of Beaverton welcomes comments on how to improve the site's accessibility for users with disabilities. Please send the comments to webmanager@ci.beaverton.or.us.

BEAVERTON CITY LIBRARY PRESENTS: ARTS IN LIBRARIES

December 9, 2001 ~ **PORTLAND TAIKO**
performs a program of Asian American drumming.

January 13, 2002 ~ **THE MAZEL TOV ORCHESTRA**
plays Klezmer and Israeli music.

February 10, 2002 ~ **NJUZU**
presents marimba, mbira, dance, culture and history of Zimbabwe.

All programs are **FREE** to the general public and held
in the Auditorium of the Beaverton City Library,
12375 SW 5th St, beginning at 2:00 p.m.
For more information, please contact Jim Edgington at (503) 644-2197.
-WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE-

The Arts in Libraries program is supported in part by a grant from
The National Endowment for the Arts, and administered by the
Regional Arts and Culture Council, in partnership with the
Washington County Library Services.

METRO FISH AND WILDLIFE HABITAT PROTECTION EFFORTS MAY AFFECT CITY RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS

Metro, the regional government for the Portland area, has many responsibilities under its voter-approved charter, including regional transportation planning, management and amendment of the regional urban growth boundary (UGB), and protection of regionally significant natural resources. Metro recently completed a major update of the Regional Transportation Plan, and is now working to determine where and how much to expand the UGB. Pursuant to a process mandated by the State, Metro is to make this decision by the end of 2002. Before it can do that, however, other critical decisions must be made. One of the most important decisions is to determine to what degree fish and wildlife habitat in the urban area should be protected from development.

REGIONAL PLANNING

Since 1999 Metro has been working to define and identify regionally significant fish and wildlife habitat areas and prepare performance standards for their protection. Metro began the process following the requirements of Statewide Planning Goal 5 after an initial proposal was withdrawn in response to criticism. This process, which is mandated by Metro's Urban Growth Management Functional Plan, is focused on wildlife habitat and riparian corridors, such as land adjacent to streams. Information about the location, quantity and quality of both kinds of natural resources is being gathered and mapped. This information is largely derived from analysis of aerial photos. Streams, wetlands, steep slopes, floodplain areas (developed and undeveloped), wooded areas and other vegetation are landscape features used to map wildlife habitat and riparian corridors.

Metro is now close to making the first of a series of key decisions in their Goal 5 process. On December 13, the Metro Council is scheduled to decide:

- (1) whether the methodology used by Metro to map fish and wildlife habitat and riparian corridors is adequate;
- (2) of the resources mapped, which are significant;
- (3) of the resources deemed significant, which are of value to the entire region.

After this decision is made, Metro must:

- (1) identify areas where development or other activities might impact regionally significant resources;
- (2) analyze the environmental, social, economic and energy consequences of protecting regionally significant resources versus allowing their development;
- (3) adopt a program for protecting the regionally significant resources.

This process will take until the latter part of 2002. Any resource protection program adopted by Metro is likely to include regulatory standards that must be implemented by local governments such as Beaverton, as well as proposed land acquisition, incentives and education.



PUBLIC NOTICES

Metro mailed over 90,000 flyers to property owners and other interested citizens titled **"Let's talk about fish and wildlife habitat"** the week of

October 22. This was due in part to a request from the local governments in Washington County. This flyer describes

the Metro process along with the dates, times and locations of important upcoming meetings of the Natural Resources Committee. This Committee is an advisory subcommittee of the Metro Council chaired by Councilor Carl Hosticka. **If you received one of**

these flyers, Metro may be considering your property for designation as a significant or even regionally significant fish and wildlife habitat area.



Beaverton and other local jurisdictions in Washington County have been working together to monitor and influence Metro's Goal 5 process. Local governments have been assessing Metro's inventory work. Once a Metro resource protection program has been adopted, these local governments will work together to develop a common program response that applies throughout the Tualatin River Basin.

If you would like more information about Metro's Goal 5 process, contact Metro at 2040@metro.dst.or.us, or their 24 hour hotline, (503) 797-1888. You can also learn more by visiting Metro's Web site at www.metro-region.org. Maps of natural resource areas presently being considered for significance designation, are located at ftp.metro-region.org/dist/gm/goal5/.

If you would like to know more about Beaverton's involvement in and assessment of Metro's Goal 5 process, contact Hal Bergsma Principal Planner at (503) 350-4037 or hbergsma@ci.beaverton.or.us.

VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT FOR MAYOR'S COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

The City is looking for citizens who are interested in volunteering their time and energy to assist in the Mayor's Community programs. These programs include Code Services, Dispute Resolution Center and the Neighborhood Office. We have several openings for volunteers within these programs, including the following:

CODE SERVICES VOLUNTEER

Are you interested in contributing to community improvement and enhancing the quality of life in your city? Code Services has volunteer opportunities to work with program staff in identifying and responding to code violations within our neighborhoods. Qualifications include effective communication skills, good computer skills, reliability, and physical ability to work in the field.

MEDIATOR VOLUNTEER

Our Dispute Resolution Center is continually looking for people interested

in servicing as neighborhood and victim offender mediators. Mediation training is free for individuals who are willing to volunteer with the Center for a minimum of one year. The free training consists of 40 hours of instruction in conflict resolution techniques and exceeds the minimum State standards. Mediators gain worthwhile communication skills while providing a valuable service to our citizens in assisting in conflict resolution. Qualifications include strong interpersonal skills, enjoy working with people, and a desire to learn about "interest based problem solving."

RECEPTION SUPPORT VOLUNTEER

The Community Programs office is seeking individuals who are willing to help provide reception and clerical support to our programs. Qualifications

include ability to communicate effectively with diverse customers, good computer and phone skills, and an outgoing nature.

Scheduling can be flexible depending upon the volunteer position that you want. Citizens who are interested in volunteering are encouraged to call Marie Rust at (503) 526-2791 for more information.



COMMUNITY DISPUTE RESOLUTION CENTER TEN EASY STEPS TO MEDIATION

Do you have a concern about your neighbor? A barking dog? Leaves from their trees falling on your yard? Does someone park their car in front of your house, so you can't? Not sure how to approach the problem? Here are a few ideas on the best way to approach your neighbor:

- **Speak Directly**
- **Choose a Good Time**
- **Plan Ahead**
- **Don't Blame or Accuse**
- **Give Information**
- **Listen**
- **Demonstrate That You Are Listening**
- **Discuss Thoroughly**
- **Work on a Solution**
- **Follow Through**

The Community Dispute Resolution Center is available to help you with neighbor-to-neighbor conflicts, business and consumer issues, landlord/tenant concerns, and more. For free, confidential information about mediation services provided by the Center, please call (503) 526-2523. Our office hours are Monday through Thursday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call today so we can help you find a solution!

ENGINEERING PROGRAM PROJECTS UPDATE

UTILITY PROJECTS

Four major City utility replacement projects are winding down involving water, sanitary sewer, and storm drainage. With the fall rains beginning, changes in the weather make construction activities more difficult and impact motorists. Neighborhood traffic picks up this time of year with the return

of children to school and construction activities can extend travel time. These construction projects may seem like a nuisance, however, they are necessary to maintain the water, sewer, and storm drainage facilities we all benefit from. The construction projects are to replace old underground lines that have reached

the end of their useful life, are undersized, or no longer meet current design standards. With 219 miles of waterlines, 236 miles of sanitary sewers, and 202 miles of underground storm drainage pipes, the City maintains an active annual replacement program of underground utilities.

Here is a look at the status of the four major utility projects in progress and where you should expect possible detours and delays:

| Project Title | Utility Type | Location of Construction | Status |
|--|--|--|--|
| South Central Beaverton Utilities Improvements, Phase 3 | Replacement and upsizing of drinking water, sanitary sewer, and storm drainage lines | SW Hall Blvd. -- Farmington Road to Beaver Dam Road, 5 th Street, 4 th Street, 3 rd Street, 2 nd Street, 1 st Street, Lombard Ave.—Farmington Rd. to 12 th St., Larch Avenue, Spencer Avenue, 139 th Avenue | Construction is 55% complete. Completion is expected by December 30, 2001. |
| Water Main Replacement and Upgrade on Allen Boulevard | Replacement and installation of an upsized 16" waterline | Allen Boulevard from King Boulevard to Lombard Avenue and waterline connections on side streets | Construction is 55% complete. Completion is expected by December 1, 2001. |
| Central Interceptor Project 2 | Storm Drainage, enlarge and improve existing detention (flood storage) ponds | South end of Main Avenue (south of Allen Boulevard) near Beaverton Nazarene Church | Construction is 65% complete. Projects 2 and 7 are under one construction contract. Completion by December 15, 2001. |
| Project 7 | Large drainage pipes to carry and store storm water | From the Main Avenue ponds, west on 18 th Street to Dale Avenue, north on Dale Ave., from 18 th Street to 17 th Street | |
| Central Interceptor Projects 3 and 4 | Large drainage pipes to carry and store storm water, continuation of Central Interceptor Projects 2 and 7. | Dale Avenue -- 17 th Street to Allen Boulevard, Taralynn Avenue from Allen Boulevard to the north end | Construction is 90% complete. Projects 3 and 4 are under one construction contract. Completion by December 15, 2001. |

ENGINEERING PROJECTS UPDATE (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 8)

TRAFFIC CALMING

Construction contractors recently completed traffic calming projects in two Beaverton neighborhoods. In the Vose neighborhood, speed humps and other traffic calming measures were installed on SW Bel Aire Drive, Bel Aire Lane, Cardinal Terrace, and Ridgecrest Drive. In West Beaverton, speed humps and traffic islands were installed on SW 152nd Avenue between Hart Road and Davis Road.

These two neighborhoods were selected last year for traffic calming funding. Both

received high rankings for funding based on speeding problems, traffic volumes and other factors. Through a series of neighborhood meetings, traffic-calming plans were developed and approved by the residents. Construction was financed through the City's Traffic Enhancement Program.

Three additional neighborhoods received high rankings this year and have begun holding meetings to develop plans

for potential construction in 2002. The additional locations include Laurelwood Avenue, Birchwood Road and 87th Avenue between Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway and Canyon Road; Davies Road between Brockman Street and Otter Lane; and Sorrento Road between Hart Road and Brockman Street.

For additional information about the traffic-calming program, contact the Transportation Division at (503) 526-3726.



MILLIKAN WAY EXTENSION

The Millikan Way Extension project is currently under construction by Northwest Earthmovers, Inc., for a bid of \$3.13 million. The project extends Millikan Way from Cedar Hills Boulevard to Hocken Avenue. Project improvements include new travel lanes, sidewalks, bike lanes, street lights and some intersection improvements where the project crosses Hocken and connects to Cedar Hills Boulevard. Also included are major utility improvements including new storm drains, a new 12 inch diameter water main, undergrounding of existing overhead utility lines, and installation of underground conduit for new telecommunications service providers. Funding for the project comes from the Major Streets Transportation Improvement Program (MSTIP 3), participating utility companies, as well as City Storm Drain Utility, Water Utility, and Overhead Utility Undergrounding Funds. The project's anticipated completion date is mid-Summer 2002.

The Washington County Department of Land Use and Transportation is managing the Millikan Way project's design and construction in close

collaboration with the City and effected businesses.

Construction of the storm drainage facilities began in October, and County construction management staff expects those facilities to be completed by January 2002. Installation of underground power conduits and other private utility lines is underway and is expected to be completed by February 2002, weather permitting. This utility construction will require several temporary closures of Hocken Avenue between Millikan Way and Terman Road through the end of February 2002. Henry Street between Lloyd Avenue and Cedar Hills Boulevard will also be closed temporarily from the beginning of February 2002 through mid-May 2002. County staff reports that project construction is proceeding essentially on schedule.

When completed, the Millikan Way project will complete an important link in the City's Downtown Connectivity Plan and will support development and redevelopment of the downtown area. The project will also fix an occasional street flooding situation near the

intersection of Hocken Avenue and Henry Street, provide treatment of stormwater runoff from a 45-acre developed area prior to its discharge into Beaverton Creek, and increase fire protection water flow and pressure in the area. In addition, the project will enable six telecommunications companies to serve the City's residents and businesses with new or improved Internet service and other communication and data transmission services.



SIGN SWEEPS REMOVE PROHIBITED SIGNS

The City of Beaverton Code Services Program began temporary sign sweeps in November to remove illegal signs from the City's right-of-ways and to educate businesses and residents regarding the proper placement of signs.

It is during the weekend that many people place temporary signs in the right-of-way and post signs on utility poles. This activity results in numerous calls to the Code Services office regarding the distractions and sight obstructions these signs cause.

The sweeps are taking place on alternating Saturdays in specific Beaverton Neighborhood Association areas. All signs removed are held at City Hall for two weeks prior to disposal and may be retrieved by calling (503)526-2270.

If you have any questions regarding signs in Beaverton, we welcome your questions and look forward to serving you. If you see us in your neighborhood or business district

please feel free to ask us questions. You may contact Code Services at (503) 526-2270 V/TTD or e-mail at codeservmail@ci.beaverton.or.us.



Code Services staff member removes an illegal sign.

OPERATIONS NEWS AND VIEWS

Traffic Maintenance Section

The Traffic Maintenance Program is currently completing their quarterly street light review. We will be driving the streets and walking the bike paths late in the evening looking for malfunctioning street lights. We mark the malfunctioning street light poles with orange or yellow ribbon that helps the morning repair crew identify the poles. It can take a couple of days for repairs to be completed, depending on the amount of outages, locations, and the type of repairs to be made. Please do not remove the ribbons. The repair crew will remove them when their work is complete.

If you observe a malfunctioning light, please report it to the Operations Traffic Maintenance Section at (503)526-2259, or on the City Web site, on-line resident reports www.ci.beaverton.or.us/residents/report.cfm.

Building Services

The City's Building Maintenance Services Section is watching over the final touches on the restoration project at City Hall resulting from the June 18th fire.

The Building Maintenance Services staff have also been involved with several other projects, including the seismic upgrade of the City's Operations Center on Allen Boulevard and improvements to the Friends of the Beaverton Library book store located across from the City park at 5th and Washington (*see page 12.*) Along with the installation of sidewalks, driveways and parking, the crews also removed old vegetation and performed general clean up of the site.

We want to thank our neighbors for their patience and courtesy during these projects. We also thank our staff for their work on special projects in addition to the regular daily maintenance that occurs at all City facilities.

Urban Forestry

The City's Urban Forestry Maintenance Section have been continuing their efforts pruning trees throughout the City to bring them up to code compliance. This pruning further aids City maintenance work, such as street sweeping.

In the process of performing this work, Urban Forestry crews have noted a number of topped trees. City Arborists urge citizens to avoid this practice. Tree topping is an improper pruning method in which the majority of a trees branches are indiscriminately removed leaving trees prone to insect infestations, disease, and storm damage. Topping trees is a direct violation of City Ordinance #3979 and can result in a civil infraction or fine.

The Operations staff, (503) 526-2220, is happy to answer your questions about this article or anything else about the City Operations Program.

CONGRATULATIONS CHEHALEM ELEMENTARY BEAVERTON'S FIRST OREGON GREEN SCHOOL!



The Oregon Green Schools Program provides schools with the information they need to establish and maintain successful waste reduction programs. The program also recognizes schools for

their waste reduction achievements.

Mayor Rob Drake joined Assistant Superintendent Robert Fisher, Principal Don Martin, and Metro Green School Coordinator Tia Henderson, on October 16, 2001, to present a Metro Green School Award to Chehalem Elementary students.

The Oregon Green Schools Recognition Program is an opportunity for schools to receive:

- **Educational Support**
- **Guidance**
- **Resources**
- **Recognition**

The Oregon Green Schools Program helps schools set up waste reduction programs, save money, and save natural resources. As schools excel in waste reduction efforts, Oregon Green Schools provides opportunities for schools to be recognized. Schools can receive a sticker, plaque, and even a flag. Students can feel good about doing something positive for their community. Call (503) 797-1670 for more information about how to become an Oregon Green School. Beaverton Green School awards are sponsored by the City of Beaverton, Metro, and your local hauler.



Mayor Drake congratulates Chehalem Elementary students



Tia Henderson, Oregon Green Schools Coordinator, talks with students about the importance of recycling and waste prevention.



"Buy Recycled" ***Holiday Gift Fair***

***10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Friday, December 7, at
Metro Regional Center
600 NE Grand Ave Portland***

***The event will showcase gifts
made from recycled materials.***

***There will be a variety of useful,
fun, and beautiful items to
purchase.***

CULTURAL EVENTS AT THE LIBRARY

Outstanding art and cultural programming can be found at the Beaverton City Library. The new facility lends itself to live performances, programs, lectures and seminars that should not be missed. A series of performances funded in part by a grant

from the National Endowment for the Arts and administered by the Regional Arts and Culture Council is scheduled from November through February (*see page 5*). In addition, the library hosts a monthly book discussion group, Mosaic, focusing on the classics and lead by local

university professors.

The library also cooperates with *The Oregonian* and it's book of the month program. Please check the Library's activity calendar below or call for more information (503) 644-2197.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY CELEBRATE BOOK CORNER MOVE

Come visit the Book Corner, the used bookstore operated by the Friends of the Beaverton City Library, moved to its new location on the corner of 5th and Washington on November 17, 2001. The new location is across from the City park and near the new library. The Book Corner offers books, videos, and other items donated by the public. Proceeds fund library programs and supplement the library's budget. Most books are priced at \$1 or less.

Topics, include mysteries, science fiction, children's, biographies, classics, cooking, gardening, the arts, history, religion, humor, and much more. There is also a section of higher priced books for collectors. Donations are always welcome and the bookstore furnishes a tax-deductible receipt.

The Friends of the Library are always looking for new members. Join for as little as \$6.00 per year. For more information call (503)643-5188.



DECEMBER LIBRARY EVENTS

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING (through December 13th)

Story Times:

- Mondays - Babies & Books (ages 9 to 24 months), 10:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
- Tuesdays- Toddlers (ages 2 - 3.5), 10:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
- Wednesdays - Evenings (ages 3 - 8), 6:30 p.m.
- Thursdays - Preschool, (ages 3.5 - 6), 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.

Chick-A-Dee Theater Performance by Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation Children's Theater. December 8, Saturday.
Puppet Show December 10, Ages 4 and up.

ADULT & FAMILY PROGRAMMING

MOSAIC Reading/Discussion Group, December 2, Sunday, 2:00 p.m. Bee Season by Myla Goldberg.

Arts in Libraries Series, December 9, Sunday, 2:00 p.m. Traditional Asian American drumming by Taiko.

New Brown Bag Oregonian Book Group. Meets monthly at the Library for more information contact Kiera Koester in Reference.

Homework Help - Most weekday evening's volunteers are available in the Homework Center.

Computer Classes - Check computer class calendar by the Internet Room on the 2nd floor for dates, times, registration and description of each class.

Registration Required: Beginning Internet Class, Basic Computer Class, Wilinet On-line Catalog Class

Senior Computer Class: Sign up through Elsie Stuhr Center.

For more information contact the Library at (503) 644-2197.

BEAVERTON'S COMMITTEE FOR CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT (CCI) SPONSORS METRO SEMINAR

The Beaverton CCI sponsored a three hour seminar on Metro titled "What has Metro a) done for you b) done to you?" Saturday, October 27, 2001, at Beaverton City Hall. The seminar encouraged participants to discuss three issues: traffic and transportation, streamside protection, and the Urban Growth Boundary (UGB).

The following speakers participated in the seminar: Jon Chandler, Legislative Advocates, Inc.; Andy Cotugno, Metro Planning Director; Mike Houck, Urban Naturalist, Audubon Society of Portland & Coalition for a Livable Future; Carl Hosticka, Metro Councilor, Susan McClain, Metro Councilor; and Vergie

Reis, City Manager, City of Forest Grove.

After listening to a general discussion about Metro and the issues, attendees divided into small groups to discuss the three issues more specifically. Discussion was lively, and attendees indicated a great deal of interest in participating in similar seminars and discussions in the future.



Mayor Rob Drake moderated the seminar.



Catherine Arnold, CCI Member opened the seminar.



Nearly forty residents attended the seminar.

AROUND THE WORLD WE GO!

Beaverton Sister Cities Foundation is planning four student trips to our Sister Cities in 2002. We are inviting interested adults to join these trips.

First, a group heads to Cluses, France for a one month visit around March 10th, 2002. If adults do accompany the students they will not be required to stay for the entire month but rather we will arrange tours to whatever part of Europe you select.

Our Korean trip is scheduled for the middle of the third week in March just prior to the week of spring vacation. The trip is scheduled for ten days. If we have adult travelers we can make arrangements

for them to tour while the students will be busy in school.

Both the Japanese and German trip will be scheduled in June through July 2002. Please contact our office if you would like to be included. We are also planning to have some Beaverton soccer teams and interested adults to the World Cup Games in Japan. The games we will see are taking place in Portland's Sister City Sapporo, Japan. Let us know if you are interested and able to join the group.

Our annual Scholarship Dinner/Auction will be held Saturday, February 2, 2002, tickets are \$20.00 per person. Items for the auction and donations to



help fill our Student Scholarship fund account are appreciated. Past donated items include the use of vacation homes, certificates for dinners and movies, dental and eye exams, or home services such as interior decorating. New items only please. Call (503) 526-2499 for more information .

BEAVERTON ARTS COMMISSION DECEMBER EVENTS

Holiday Art Show and Sale, Beaverton Art Gallery, Beaverton Mall. Gallery Hours: Thursday and Friday, 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Saturdays, 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.; Sundays, 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

“Holiday Show,” artwork in all media, Village Gallery of Art, 12505 NW Cornell Rd., (503) 644-8001.

“The Holiday Show,” art exhibition and sale, Oregon College of Art and Craft, 8245 SW Barnes Rd., (503) 297-5544.

Holiday Open House at the Beaverton Art Gallery, Saturday, December 1, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Beaverton Mall (in the former DMV location).

The Nutcracker, December 1, 2, 8, 9 at 2:00 p.m. and December 1, 7, 8 at 7:30 p.m., Presented by Pacific Festival Ballet, Portland Community College, Sylvania Campus-Forum Theatre, 12000 SW 49th. Tickets: Adults \$19, Children/Seniors \$17, (503) 977-1753

“Sing We Now of Christmas” The Carols of France, Washington County Chorale, Sunday, December 2, 7:00 p.m. Bethel Congregational Church, 5150 SW Watson, Beaverton, (503) 647-9280.

Artwork Depicting America, its people and its history on exhibit at Beaverton City Hall, third floor. Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. December 3-31.

“It’s a Wonderful Life,” Oregon Children’s Theatre, December 7-23, Jesuit High School Auditorium, (503) 228-9571.

“Swingin’ on a Star” performed by NW Children’s Theatre, Sunday, December 9, 1:00 p.m. Tickets: \$3 children; \$4 seniors; \$5 adults. Tickets available at the door on performance day, beginning at 12:00 p.m.. Elsie J. Stuhr Center, 5550 SW Hall Blvd (503) 526-2288.

“European Masterpieces – Six Centuries Of Paintings” from the National Gallery of Victoria Australia. Lecture and slide presentation by the Portland Art Museum. Thursday, December 13, 7:00 p.m. Beaverton City Library Auditorium.

THE ARTS UNIFY AND STRENGTHEN OUR COMMUNITY

The mission of the Beaverton Arts Commission is to serve as a unifying force in the community through the arts. The Board and members of the Commission believe strongly that arts can strengthen and heal a community. Arts organizations throughout this nation have committed themselves to bringing hope, healing and joy to their communities through the arts.

Since the tragic events of September 11, many people are looking for ways to help their community and to get reconnected to their community. We invite you to consider using the Arts Commission as your vehicle to accomplish that worthy goal. There are many ways to get involved :

- you can volunteer your time to help young people learn how to draw, sing or learn a musical instrument,
- you can support and attend art programming in your schools and community and use it as an opportunity to get to know your neighbors,
- you can serve on the Commission’s Board of Directors to help direct the organization in its efforts to meet the artistic and cultural needs of the community.

Our door is open to any and all who have a passion for the arts and a belief in their power to strengthen communities. Please contact our executive director, Jayne Scott, for more information at (503) 526-2288. Or, visit the Commission’s page on the City’s Web site at www.ci.beaverton.or.us. We look forward to hearing from you.



Mayor Rob Drake and the
Beaverton City Council
invite you and your family
to attend the

City of Beaverton Holiday Open House

Tuesday, December 11, 2001

5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Beaverton City Hall

4755 SW Griffith Drive

Enjoy
Refreshments



Face painting
by the
Arts Commission



Visit with the Mayor
and City Councilors!

View informative displays
and visit with City staff!

Listen to holiday music by
The Dickens Carolers!



Bring the whole family
to see Santa!



PUBLIC MEETINGS CALENDAR

DECEMBER, 2001

* City Council Meetings

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| 3 | Mon. | No Meeting | |
| 10 | Mon. | 6:30 p.m. | Council Chambers - Televised |
| 17 | Mon. | 6:30 p.m. | Council Chambers |
| 24 | Mon. | No Meeting | Holiday |
| 31 | Mon. | No Meeting | Holiday |

** Neighborhood Meetings

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| 5 | Wed. | 7:00 p.m. | Vose NAC – Beaverton Community Center |
| 11 | Tues. | 7:00 p.m. | Five Oaks/Triple Creek NAC-Elmonica Elementary School |
| 11 | Tue. | 7:00 p.m. | West Slope NAC – West Sylvan Middle School |
| 12 | Wed. | 7:00 p.m. | Raleigh West NAC- Beaverton Community Center |
| 19 | Wed. | 7:00 p.m. | Sexton Mountain NAC-Jesus Christ Church of Latter Day Saints |
| 20 | Thu. | 7:00 p.m. | Central Beaverton NAC- Beaverton Community Center |
| 20 | Thu. | 7:00 p.m. | Highland NAC – Hyland Park Middle School |

Planning Commission Meetings

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| 5 | Wed. | 7:00 p.m. | Planning Commission-Council Chambers |
| 12 | Wed. | 7:00 p.m. | Planning Commission-Council Chambers |
| 19 | Wed. | 7:00 p.m. | Planning Commission-Council Chambers |
| 26 | Wed. | No Meeting | |

Other Meetings - Location: City Hall

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| 4 | Tue. | 8:30 a.m. | Building Board of Appeals-Council Chambers |
| 4 | Tue. | 6:00 p.m. | B.I.K.E. Task Force-3 rd Floor Conference Room |
| 6 | Thu. | 7:00 p.m. | Traffic Commission- Council Chambers |
| 11 | Tue. | 2:00 p.m. | Senior Citizens Advisory- 3 rd Floor Conference Room |
| 13 | Thu. | 12:30 p.m. | Beaverton Sister Cities – China Jade Restaurant - 4050 SW Cedar Hills Blvd. |
| 13 | Thu. | 6:30 p.m. | Board of Design Review-Council Chambers |
| 18 | Tue. | 7:00 p.m. | Police/Apartment Managers-Council Chambers |
| 18 | Tue. | | Beaverton Arts Commission - NO MEETING |
| 20 | Thu. | 3:30 p.m. | Citizens With Disabilities Advisory Committee - Council Chambers |
| 26 | Wed. | | Committee for Citizen Involvement - NO MEETING |

* Call (503)526-2640 V/TDD for a recording of City Council agendas.

** Call Neighborhood office, (503)526-2243 V/TDD to confirm meeting dates.

Assistive listening devices, sign language or bilingual interpreters will be made available at any public meeting or program sponsored by the City of Beaverton upon request with a minimum of 72 hours advance notice. To request these services, call (503)526-2222 V/TDD.

The events listed on this calendar are subject to change. The calendar on the city Web site will have the most current information about events and any cancellations. See <http://www.ci.beaverton.or.us/residents/calendar.cfm> for more details.

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